

Baccalaureate and
Commencement Exercises

OF THE
ONE HUNDRED EIGHTY-NINTH YEAR
OF

Centenary College of Louisiana



SATURDAY, THE THIRD OF MAY
TWO THOUSAND AND FOURTEEN

GOLD DOME

TEN-THIRTY O'CLOCK
IN THE MORNING

Order of Exercises

PROCESSIONAL: *Pomp and Circumstance* Edward Elgar

Brass Quintet: Michael Scarlato '77, trumpet; David Densmore, trumpet;
Chad Causey, French horn; Terry Hopkins, trombone; Crozet Duplantier, tuba.

***NATIONAL ANTHEM** led by the Centenary College Choir
Dr. David Hobson '98, Director and A.C. "Cheesy" Voran Endowed Professor

***INVOCATION** The Reverend Valerie Robideaux '03
Director of Professional Discernment and Chaplain

***HYMN:** *Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee* led by Brass Quintet
and the Centenary College Choir

*Joyful, joyful, we adore thee, God of glory, Lord of love;
Hearts unfold like flowers before thee, opening to the sun above.
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness; drive the dark of doubt away.
Giver of immortal gladness, fill us with the light of day!*

*Mortals join the mighty chorus which the morning stars began;
Love divine is reigning o'er us, binding all within its span.
Ever singing, march we onward, victors in the midst of strife;
Joyful music leads us sunward, in the triumph song of life.*

SCRIPTURE READING: *Nehemiah 6:2-4* Reverend Robideaux

ANTHEM: *O God, Beyond All Praising* by Richard Proulx
Brass Quintet
Kieley Simonsen, accompanist.

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Moonbot Studios

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Candidates for Degrees

STUDENTS BEING GRADUATED WITH ACADEMIC HONORS

SUMMA CUM LAUDE

Taylor Jacob Atkinson
Bonnie Louise Bernard
Stephen Gage Curry
Ryan Dwayne Elledge
Lindsey Danielle Fileccia
Kristopher Michael Free
Lea Allison Hair
Sarah Kate Rose Hoffnung
Angela Kate Impson
Ashley Jourdan McHugh
Amanda Lynn Spangler
Stephen Garrett Whipple

MAGNA CUM LAUDE

Summayah Mian Anwar
Hollis Anne Clark
Olesya Oleksandrivna Ekshyyan
Gregory Joseph Ewing
Ronni Hammad
Cassandra Jayne Hermes
Bethany Jayne Nuttall
Fortunato Gabriel Padua
Sandy Katherine Rather
Wells Audrey Russell
Amber Ilean Andrews Spicer
Matthew Payton Weidner

CUM LAUDE

Katherine Anne Ball
Mitchell Anderson Foster
Tyler Cole Gardner
James A. Hill
Keely Meagan Kitchura
Kayla Marie Marian
Tianna Michelle Murphy
Scott Oliver Myers II
Laura D'Arcangelo Norman
Derek Timothy Rainwater
Chase Michael Rials
Freddricka Reshaé Richardson
Breanna Jelisa Speed
Lynsi Frances Unruh

STUDENTS BEING GRADUATED WITH DEPARTMENTAL HONORS

The following students have distinguished themselves by achieving Departmental Honors in the designated disciplines, signifying the completion of an intensive research project with presentation of the results to student peers and faculty.

Taylor Jacob Atkinson,
Psychology

Bonnie Louise Bernard,
Biology

Stephen Gage Curry,
Economics

Olesya Oleksandrivna Ekshyyan,
Biology

Lea Allison Hair,
Chemistry

Angela Kate Impson,
Sociology

BACHELOR OF ARTS

Lenard Adams,
Music: Performance

Shakeria M. Alcorn, *Psychology*

John Michael Alost,
Communication: New Media

Jacqueline Argueta, *Psychology*

Taylor Jacob Atkinson,
Psychology

Maggie McGee Aultman, *Art:
Studio Arts*

Katherine Anne Ball, *Music:
Vocal Performance*

Colin Schalliol Brineman,
Philosophy

Jairus Jefferson Browning,
English: Literary Studies

Steffani Lynn Butler, *Biology*

Deon Alyse Cantrell, *English
and French*

Nicholas Duggan Carroll,
Psychology

Haleigh Allyn Coffey, *Biology*

Matthew Patrick Cravens,
History

Amanda Kay Currier,
Communication: New Media

Stephen Gage Curry,
Economics

Christopher Dylan Davis,
Political Science

Christopher Cade DeGueurce,
Psychology and Philosophy

Parker Lynn Duff, *Theatre*

Chaerli Kachiri Faight,
Sociology

Grady Cornell Flournoy,
Political Science

Christopher Graydon Forester,
English

Mitchell Anderson Foster,
Economics

Emily Alexandra Fultz,
*Individualized Major:
Visual Arts Criticism*

Tyler Cole Gardner, *French*

Michelle Elizabeth Gaubert,
Biology

Ashley Jessica Giffen, *Biology*

Daniel J. Haar, *Economics*

Cassandra Jayne Hermes,
Theatre

James A. Hill, *History*

Crystal Hong, *Biology and
Economics*

Angela Kate Impson, *Sociology*

Quin'c'allen Jacavion Jones,
Music

Tendresse Kapalang-A-Sul,
Biology

Keely Meagan Kitchura, *French*

Avia Elizabeth Knighten,
*Communication: Film,
Television, and Video*

Andrea Lynne Labor, *History*

Christine Fisher Langston,
*Communication: Film,
Television, and Video*

Jacob Ryan Lansdale, *Geology*

Kayla Marie Marion,
Religious Studies

Aaron Christopher Martin,
Communication: New Media

Raneisha Charnae Mays,
Psychology

Tracy McDonald, *Geology*

Zoe Krystyne McSwain,
Psychology

Melody Candace Metoyer,
Communication: New Media

Chelsea A. Moore,
*Communication: Professional
Writing*

Tianna Michelle Murphy,
Religious Studies

Ashley Meterika Oliver,
Psychology

Rachel Elizabeth Olson, *History*

Michaela A. Owens, *Music and
Psychology*

Maghen Lynn Pitner, *Psychology*

Jordan Michael Pope,
Art: Studio Arts

Amanda Rose Price, *Biology*

Robyn Christian Price, *Biology*

Amanda Michelle Proctor,
Theatre

Andrew Joseph Pulliam,
Psychology

Sandy Katherine Rather,
Theatre

Chase Michael Rials, *History*

Freddricka Reshaé Richardson,
Psychology

Keaton De'Rae Roberson,
English

Sabrina C. Roquemoire,
Art: Studio Arts

Samiramis S. Sayad,
Communication: New Media

Mathew Travis Scott,
Psychology

Alyssa Ann Smith, *Psychology*

Amanda Lynn Spangler,
Theatre

Breanna Jelisa Speed,
Art: Studio Arts

Amber Ilean Andrews Spicer,
Art: Visual Culture and French

Kelley Kaitlyn Squires, *Biology*

Jacob Gentry-Ray Sullivan,
Music

Sarah Elizabeth Teutsch,
Psychology

Lynsi Frances Unruh, *Biology*

Noel Simon Veneracion,
Psychology

Hunter Glyn Ward, *Music*

David Clinton White, *Theatre*

Jessica Jade Wilcox,
*Communication:
Professional Writing*

Faith Elizabeth Willhite,
*Communication: Film,
Television, and Video*

Brandon H. Winningham,
Psychology

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE

Summayah Mian Anwar, *Business
Administration: Accounting*

Summayah Mian Anwar, *Biology*

Bonnie Louise Bernard, *Biology*

Jonathan Christopher Blount,
*Business Administration:
Accounting*

Sarah Lenea Bradshaw,
*Mathematics: Theoretical
Mathematics*

Austin Blair Butler, *Geology*

Tyler Alexander Clakley,
Business Administration

Hollis Anne Clark, *Biology*

Shidestini Chanta Cooper, *Biology*

Jeffrey Colton Cowley, *Accounting
and Business Administration*

Matthew Patrick Cravens, *Biology*

Chase Michael Duet, *Business
Administration*

Jami Elizabeth Edgell,
Health and Exercise Science

Olesya Oleksandrivna Ekshyyan,
Biology

Ryan Dwayne Elledge,
Neuroscience

Gregory Joseph Ewing, *Business
Administration: Accounting and
Philosophy*

Madeline Augusta Fechter, *Biology*

Lindsey Danielle Fileccia, *Biology*

Kristopher Michael Free,
Biochemistry

Kylee Madison Goldthorn, *Biology*

Samuel James Grace, *Geology*

Katherine Elizabeth Greene,
Biology and French

Vikas Gullapalli, *Biology*

Tawnee Elaine Hadd, *Mathematics*

Lea Allison Hair, *Chemistry*

Ronni Hammad, *Mathematics*

Sarah Kate Rose Hoffnung, *Biology*

Jemari Yannik James, *Business
Administration*

Spencer C. Johnson, *Accounting*

Kera Elise Krews, *Biology*

Jerry Lytel Lavespere, *Business
Administration: Management*

Francesca Ann Lawrence, *Business
Administration: Management*

Traci Michelle Lee, *Mathematics*

Anne Marie Mack, *Biology*

Ashley Jourdan McHugh, *Biology*

Brandon Richardson McRae,
Biology

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Neuroscience

Scott Oliver Myers II, *Biochemistry
and Philosophy*

Laura D'Archangelo Norman,
Business Administration

Bethany Jayne Nuttall,
*Business Administration:
Management*

Fortunato Gabriel Padua,
Neuroscience

Kunaal Maulesh Patel,
Neuroscience

Mariah Marie Pitre, *Psychology*

Derek Timothy Rainwater,
Biology

Wells Audrey Russell,
*Business Administration:
Management*

Justine Elizabeth Russell,
Geology

Kay Farys Simon, *Psychology*

Ghalia Faisal Thaljah, *Biology*

Ericka Angelica Vazquez,
Biochemistry

Cassandra Elizabeth Warden,
Biology

Kristene Nicole Warren, *Biology*

Matthew Payton Weidner,
Neuroscience

Stephen Garrett Whipple,
Biology

Kristen Renee Young,
Biology

MASTER OF ARTS IN TEACHING

Aubrey M. Ahmed, *Secondary*
Krystal Ne'Cole Armstrong,
Elementary

Cindy R. Beeson, *Elementary*

Lisa Renae Bigham, *Elementary*

Allison Corie Brannen, *Elementary*

Meighan Marie Brown, *Secondary*

Tiffany Lashell Edwards, *Elementary*

Suzanne Gail Ferguson, *Secondary*

Allison Rush Ferrell, *Elementary*

Antoinette Janaine Haynes,
Secondary

Karen Jayne Hayslip, *Elementary*

Irian E. Hernandez, *Secondary*

Julie Marie Hodge, *Secondary*

Heather Lee Hooper, *Secondary*

Matthew Lane Kavanaugh,
Secondary

Leia Alenta Lewis, *Elementary*

Henri V. Lorigans, *Secondary*

Elizabeth C. Lyles, *Secondary*

Shannon Teresa Mall, *Elementary*

Caitlin Kennedy Milam, *Secondary*

Remi Gerard Pastorek, *Secondary*

Lisa Craig Rauschenbach,
Secondary

Kimberly Kaye Riley, *Elementary*

Stephen Nicholas Scarlato,
Secondary

Mark D. Schlatter, *Secondary*

Blair E. Seawell, *Secondary*

Whitney Rene` Tarkowski,
Elementary

Nicholas Ray Thompson,
Secondary

MASTER OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

David Scott Hughes,
Business Administration

Leslie R. Lauw,
Business Administration

Alvin S. Olsan,
Business Administration

HONORARY DEGREES

William Joyce,
*Doctor of Arts,
Honoris Causa*

Yusef Komunyakaa,
*Doctor of Fine Arts,
Honoris Causa*

CONFERRING OF HONORARY DEGREES Dr. B. David Rowe, President
Mr. George D. Nelson, Jr., Chairman of the Board of Trustees
Dr. Karen Soul, Interim Provost and Dean of the College

INDUCTION OF THE CLASS OF 2014
INTO THE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION Mr. Keaton Roberson '14
2014 Class Representative

CONFERRING OF HONORS AND DEGREES IN COURSE Dr. Rowe and Dr. Soul

*ALMA MATER led by Brass Quintet
and the Centenary College Choir

*Where the sleepy, silver bayou
Gleams among the pines,
Watching o'er the throbbing city
Alma Mater shines.*

CHORUS

*Forward, forward, Centenary—
Time and tide may fail,
But our hearts shall love thee ever—
Centenary, Hail!*

*BENEDICTION Mr. Nelson

RECESSIONAL led by Brass Quintet

*Grand Marshal – Dr. David Thomas
Faculty Marshal – Dr. Beth Leuck
Ushers – Maroon Jackets*

*The audience will stand.
Please remain seated during the processional and the recessional.

PRESIDENT ROWE CORDIALLY INVITES FAMILY AND FRIENDS OF GRADUATES
TO A RECEPTION FOLLOWING COMMENCEMENT AT THE
NORTH ENTRANCE OF THE GOLD DOME.

See back cover for information about photographs.

Biographies

Mr. William Joyce is the creative mind behind a slew of classics beloved by both children and adults. Hailed by *Newsweek* as one of the top 100 people to watch in the new millennium, his illustrations, written works, apps, and animated films have garnered worldwide recognition and accolades. A native of Shreveport, he is a graduate of Southern Methodist University.

Mr. Yusef Komunyakaa is a Pulitzer Prize winning poet. He is currently the Distinguished Senior Poet in New York University's graduate creative writing program. A Bogalusa native, he holds a MA and MFA in creative writing from Colorado State University and the University of California.

Academic Dress

Much interest is always occasioned by an academic procession because of the colorful dress worn for ceremonies by the faculty and the graduates. In general, the gown indicates the level of the highest degree held: for bachelors, the black gown with flowing, pointed sleeves; for masters, the black gown with sleeves slit midway for the arms, and the sleeve bottom closed flat with a semicircle cut in the side; for doctors, the flowing closed robe with sleeves closed at the wrist, decorated with chevrons of velvet, most often black on black, but occasionally with chevrons of another color indicating the general field of study, for example blue for philosophy, red for theology, or purple for law; or the entire robe of another color, as the light blue of Columbia, the crimson of Harvard, or the gold of Johns Hopkins. Caps are nearly uniform; gold tassels indicating the doctorate or doctoral equivalents, black tassels for the lower degrees.

Most identification is contained in the hoods. The velvet edging is two inches wide for masters and three for doctors. Its color indicates the subject matter in which the wearer's degree was earned: white for arts, letters, or humanities; drab for business; light blue for education; brown for fine arts; lemon for library science; pink for music; dark blue for philosophy; sage green for physical education; golden yellow for science; or scarlet for theology and divinity. The lining of the hood is a precise code identifying the university of the degree's origin. The variations from these descriptions are mostly from foreign universities.

PROFESSIONAL PHOTOGRAPHS

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